



THE CHAMBER

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Chairman Julius Genachowski:
Commissioner Michael J. Copps:
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell:
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker:
Commissioner Mignor Clyburn:

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20544

Re: WT Docket 11-65

June 2, 2011

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As a major Colorado city that serves both urban and very rural populations, we support the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile. Colorado businesses both large and small stand to benefit significantly as LTE technology is made available to more than 95% of Colorado -- and an additional 55 million people across the U.S.

Technology is critical in our areas that continue to wait for the build-out of advanced networks, and we support swift and immediate progress that can bridge that gap and bring the promise of mobile broadband. Our businesses and livelihoods rely on it, and we applaud the fact that it will come sooner than we had imagined.

We support the vision of a national broadband plan that covers 98% of the U.S. population, but we also know it will take private investment to get us there. We are supportive of AT&T's efforts to bring 4G LTE to rural parts of our state with speeds comparable to a hardwired laptop. This type of investment is beneficial to our residents and businesses and is especially beneficial in attracting and retaining businesses to the Colorado Springs area.

In terms of broadband access, Colorado ranks among the bottom ten U.S. states -- AT&T's merger commitment ensures this reality is short-lived.

We respectfully ask for approval of the AT&T T-Mobile merger.

Sincerely,

David P. Csintyan
President and Chief Executive Officer